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I found the crews all vaccinated, and I vaccinated all passengers not previously protected. I am sorry to report that smallpox is increasing in St. John, New Brunswick. For the two weeks ended to day there have been 14 new cases. We have had no case in Eastport up to the present time. I shall use every effort in my power to prevent the disease from entering the United States from the British provinces.

Respectfully,

EDWARD M. SMALL,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

EASTPORT, ME., *January 2, 1902.*

SIR: I beg to submit the following report of work done at this inspection station during the week ended Thursday, January 2, 1902:

*Vessels inspected.*

Date.	Vessel.	From.	For.	Crew.	Passengers.	
					For East-port.	In trans-it.
Dec. 31	Ss. St. Croix.....	Boston and Portland..	Eastport and St. John, New Brunswick.	61	48	39
1902. Jan. 1	Ss. Aurora.....	St. John, New Brunswick.	Eastport and Grand Manan, New Brunswick.	8	.....	3
Jan. 2	Ss. St. Croix.....	.....do .....	Eastport, Portland, and Boston.	61	7	36

The steamer *State of Maine* has been taken off the route for a few weeks. I learn of 23 cases of smallpox reported in St. John, New Brunswick, for the last two weeks. No case here or in the immediate vicinity. I give these steamers arriving from St. John, New Brunswick, a very thorough inspection.

Respectfully,

EDWARD M. SMALL,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Inspection service between Vanceboro, Me., and St. John, New Brunswick.*

VANCEBORO, ME., *December 28, 1901.*

SIR: Since my last report of 21st instant, 15 reported cases of smallpox have occurred in St. John with 5 deaths. During the week just ended I have inspected as follows:

Approximate number of passengers, 600; number vaccinated by me, 48; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 43. I am obliged to consider all the district along the main railway line to St. John as infected, owing to the practice of St. John passengers buying tickets from St. John to some intermediate point between St. John and Vanceboro and from that point buying tickets to destination. The same practice obtains with baggage, as well as a custom of sending baggage by express to some intermediate point and from there checking to destination. Since last report very little vaccination has been done in St. John except among those who are obliged to pass this point.

Respectfully,

M. L. YOUNG,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from South American and West Indian ports.*

BALTIMORE, MD., *December 28, 1901.*

SIR: I have to report the arrival at this port for the week ended this day of the following-named vessels from the ports named: December 24, British steamship *Yanariva*, from Rio de Janeiro, with ore; British

steamship *Wakefield*, from Rio de Janeiro, with ore. December 26, British steamship *Beltor*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore; Norwegian steamship *Sanna*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore; British steamship *Kestor*, from Santiago de Cuba, with ore. December 27, British steamship *Samara*, from Rio de Janeiro, with ore; British steamship *Vimeira*, from Chericovicos, Cuba, with ore. December 28, British steamship *Manar*, from Santiago de Cuba, with ore.

Respectfully,

F. E. CUNNINGHAM,  
*Special Deputy Collector of Customs.*

BALTIMORE, MD., *January 4, 1902.*

SIR: I have to report the arrival of the following vessels at this port, for the week ended this day: American barkentine *White Wings*, from Rio de Janeiro, with coffee. British steamship *Alabama*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore. British steamship *Straits of Dover*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore. British steamship *Dorisbrook*, from Daiquiri, Cuba, with ore.

Respectfully,

F. E. CUNNINGHAM,  
*Collector.*

#### REPORTS FROM THE MEXICAN BORDER.

*Eagle Pass, Tex., December 30, 1901—Inspection service.*—I have the honor to report the following transactions at this port for the week ended December 28, 1901: Number of passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 8; number of passengers on trains from Mexico inspected and passed, 251; number of passengers detained, none.

B. KINSELL,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*El Paso, Tex., December 28, 1901—Inspection service.*—I have the honor to submit the following summary of transactions at this port for the week ended December 28, 1901: Inspection of Mexican Central Railroad passengers, 179; inspection of Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad passengers, 30; inspection of immigrants, 127; inspection of certificate of cause of death of body in hermetically sealed coffin shipped into United States, from Mexico, 1; disinfection of soiled linen imported for laundry, 514 pieces; disinfection of blankets, clothing, etc., of immigrants, 78 pieces; disinfection of Pullman soiled linen, 5,534 pieces; vaccination of immigrants' children, 9.

E. ALEXANDER,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Laredo, Tex., December 31, 1901—Inspection service.*—I have the honor to submit following inspection report for week ended December 28, 1901: Number of passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 658; immigrants inspected, 28; immigrants vaccinated, 8; Pullman Company soiled linen from Mexico disinfected, 4,971 pieces.

H. J. HAMILTON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

#### *Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.*

CALIFORNIA—*San Francisco.*—Month of November, 1901. Estimated population, 360,000. Total number of deaths, 564, including diphtheria, 15; enteric fever, 10; whooping cough, 1; plague, 1, and 77 from tuberculosis.